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1. (S-ENTIRE TEXT)
2. REVISED IMPLEMENTATION PLAN, BASED ON FINAL VERSION OF GORM STATE
MENT
FOR COLOMBIA (REFTEL, FOLLOWS:
-CONTINUED FUNCTIONING OF COLOMBIA'S DEMOCRATIC PROCESSES.
COLOMBIA'S DEOCRATIC PROCESSES ARE THREATENED BY ACTIVITIES OF
SUBVERSIVE ORGANIZATIONS AND COULD BE AFFECTED BY EXCESS OF ZEAL
ON THE PART OF COLOMBIA'S SECURITY FORCES IN RESPONSE TO SUBVERSIVE
THREAT. MISSION WILL CONTINUE STRESSING IMPORTANCE USG ATTACHES
TO HUMAN RIGHTS AND RUGE STRICT OBSERVANCE OF LEGAL NORMS.
--OVERCOMING COLOMBIAN OBJECTIONS TO US PRECONDITIONS FOR RATIFI-
CATION OF THE QUITA SUENO TREATY.
MISSION HAS BEEN WORKING CLOSELY WITH GOC ON QUITA SUENO TREATY
AND ANTICIPATES EARLY AGREEMENT ON COMPROMISE FORMULA, WHICH TAKES
INTO ACCOUNT US PRECONDITIONS.
--IMPROVED CONSULAR SERVICES FOR US CITIZENS RESIDENT IN OR

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TRANSITING COLOMBIA. MISSION PROPOSES TO:
A) CONTINUE NEGOTIATIONS FOR A NEW CONSULAR CONVENTION; B) CONTINUE
NEGOTIATIONS FOR A CONVENTION FOR RETURN OF STOLEN, EMBEZZLED OF MIS-
APPROPRIATED US AIRCRAFT; C) CONVINCE AIRLINES OWNERS AND PILOTS
ASSOCIATION (AOPA) OF THE UNTILITY OF RETAINING COLOMBIAN LAWYERS TO
PROVIDE PROMPT LEGAL ASSISTANCE TO AOPA MEMBERS WHOSE AIRCRAFT HAVE
BEEN DETAINED IN COLOMBIA; AND D) ASSIST GOC IN ITS EFFORTS TO

STREAMLINE AND MODERNIZE COLOMBIAN JUDICIAL SYSTEM. MISSION HAS PREPARED AND SUBMITTED DRAFT CONSULAR AND RETURN-OR-AIRCRAFT CONVENTIONS TO THE DEPT. AND IS AWAITING INSTRUCTIONS; AND POSSIBLE AID-SPONSORED ACTIVITIES IN SUPPORT OF JUDICIAL REFORMS ARE UNDER STUDY HERE AND IN WASHINGTON.

--COLOMBIAN INITIATIVES AND COOPERATION, AND INCREASED EFFECTIVENESS IN INTERDICTING THE NARCOTICS TRAFFIC. MISSION PROPOSES TO:

A) SEEK INCREASED INC FUNDING FOR GOC CAMPAIGN NOW UNDERWAY ON THE NORTH COAST; B) OBTAIN ADDITIONAL FUNDS IN FY 80 FOR COLOMBIAN MILITARY TO CONTINUE THE ANTI-NARCOTICS CAMPAIGN ON THE NORTH COAST; C) PROMOTE INCREASED GOC EFFORTS TO INTERDICT COCAINE TRAFFIC ACROSS THE SOUTHERN BORDERS; AND D) CONTINUE TO FUND TRAINING AND LOGISTICAL

SUPPORT PROGRAMS WITH ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE AND CUSTOMS SERVICE.

--A LIBERALIZED COLOMBIAN TRADE POLICY.

MISSION WILL CONTINUE TO CONSULT WITH KEY GOC DECISION-MAKERS TO STRESS THE ADVANTAGES OF A LIBERALIZED TRADING SYSTEM AND ADHESION TO GATT AND WILL FOLLOW UP ON LATE FEB. TRADE NEGOTIATIONS HELD

IN BOGOTA. SPECIFIC MISSION EFFORTS WILL BE MADE WITH REGARD TO HEAVY TRACKS AND HEAVY CONSTRUCTION MACHINERY.

--COLOMBIAN ELIMINATION OF HOOF-AND-MOUTH DISEASE.

MISSION WILL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT JOINT USDA/ICA AFTOSA HOOF-AND-MOUTH DISEASE) CONTROL PROGRAM IN NORTHERN COLOMBIA. EVERY EFFORT WILL
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BE MADE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF GOC'S RENEWED INTEREST IN PAN AMERICAN HIGHWAY AND ITS \$1 MILLION CONTRIBUTION TO IMPLEMENT IMPROVED AND EXPANDED

AFTOSA PROGRAM. NEW PROJECT AGREEMENT WILL BE CONCLUDED WITHIN FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 1979.

--A RESPONSIBLE COLOMBIAN COFFEE POLICY.

MISSION WILL REMAIN IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH RELEVANT GOC OFFICIALS TO INFLUENCE THEIR PRODUCTION, STOCKS AND PRICING POLICIES.

--REDUCTION OF COLOMBIA'S RAPID POPULATION GROWTH.

USAID/C AND AID/W WILL ASSIST FAMILY PLANNING EFFORTS OF COLOMBIAN PRIVATE

AND PUBLIC SECTORS THROUGH US-BASED INTERMEDIARIES AND INTERNATIONAL PLANNED PARENTHOOD FEDERATION AND UNITED NATIONS FUND FOR POPULATION ACTIVITIES. TOTAL US CONTRIBUTION THROUGH INTERMEDIARIES AND TWO INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS WILL BE \$3.8 MILLION FOR 1979.

--CONTINUED RESPONSIVENESS TO COLOMBIA'S NATIONAL MILITARY MODERNIZATION REQUIREMENTS.

MISSION'S MILITARY ELEMENTS WILL SEEK CONTINUED CLOSE RELATIONS

WITH COLOMBIAN ARMED FORCES TO FURTHER PROMOTION OF US SECURITY
INTERESTS IN COLOMBIA. HOWEVER, FMS CREDIT LEVELS OF \$12.7 MILLION FOR

FY-79 AND \$12.5 MILLION FOR FY-80, COUPLED WITH IMET FUNDS REDUCTIONS,

WILL BE INSUFFICIENT TO MEET PREVIOUSLY ANTICIPATED US CONTRIBUTIONS
TO IMPLEMENT COLOMBIA'S MILITARY MODERNIZATION PROGRAM. MISSION WILL
ASSIST ARMED FORCES IN ESTABLISHING PRIORITIES AMONG REQUIREMENTS
AND PHASING IN ACQUISITION OF REQUIRED HARDWARE. TO INSURE
CONTINUED RELIANCE ON US AS DOMINANT SUPPLIER OF MILITARY HARDWARE,
1980 FUNDING LEVELS FOR FMS CREDITS AND IMET SHOULD BE \$22 MILLION
AND \$.5 MILLION, RESPECTIVELY.
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